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## Powers Leaves Hospital Here

Francis Gary Powers, U-2 pilot, left Georgetown University Hospital today for points unknown after undergoing what was described as "a routine physical examination."

Dr. Charles D. Shields, executive director of the hospital, said that while there Mr. Powers received "baskets of mail every day . . . more than any patient we have had here in a long time."

Dr. Shields said Mr. Powers refused to see any members of the press during his hospital stay. Dr. Shields escorted Mr. Powers to the hospital's front door today. The pilot rode away in a car driven by an unidentified man.

Mr. Powers entered the hospital three days ago. His home town of Big Stone Gap, Va., is making plans to welcome him Monday.